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In re Application of

Hiroshi Shirakawa et al.

Application No. 09/773,913

Filed: February 2, 2001

For: AUCTION SYSTEM AND METHOD

DECISION ON PETITION

FOR CONSIDERATION OF IDS

UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

This is a decision on Applicants' Petition under 37 CFR 1.181 filed on October 29, 2008 to consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on October, 10, 2006.

The Petition is dismissed as MOOT.

Applicants have requested that the Director instruct the Examiner to consider the IDS filed on October 10, 2006 and to sign and return the IDS indicating a consideration of the documents and references listed on the form.

A review of the record shows that an initialed copy of the referenced IDS was mailed to Applicants on December 10, 2008. As well, a communication was mailed concurrently stating that the IDS was entered and considered.

SUMMARY: The Petition is dismissed as **MOOT.**

Any questions regarding this decision should be directed to Charles R. Kyle, Supervisory Patent Examiner, at (571) 272-6746.

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